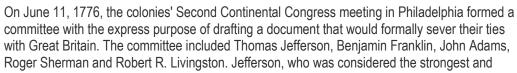


Finance and Administration Cabinet Newsletter
July 3, 2013

Happy 4th of July!!!

While the 4^{th} of July is usually a celebration with family and friends, the yearly celebration truly represents a milestone for the United States. Enjoy the holiday and think about the history that enables us to have many freedoms...

"Taxation without representation!" That was the battle cry of the 13 colonies in America that were forced to pay taxes to England's King George III with no representation in Parliament. As dissatisfaction grew, British troops were sent in to quell any signs of rebellion, and repeated attempts by the colonists to resolve the crisis without war proved fruitless.





most eloquent writer, crafted the document. (Nevertheless, a total of 86 changes were made to his draft.) The Continental Congress officially adopted the final version on July 4.

The following day, copies of the Declaration of Independence were distributed and, on July 6, "The Pennsylvania Evening Post" became the first newspaper to print the extraordinary document.

The Declaration of Independence has since become our nation's most cherished symbol of liberty.

Bonfires and Illuminations

On July 8, 1776, the first public readings of the Declaration were held in Philadelphia's Independence Square to the ringing of bells and band music. One year later, on July 4, 1777, Philadelphia marked Independence Day by adjourning Congress and celebrating with bonfires, bells and fireworks.

The custom eventually spread to other towns, both large and small, where the day was marked with processions, oratory, picnics, contests, games, military displays and fireworks. Observations throughout the nation became even more common at the end of the War of 1812 with Great Britain.

--Taken from http://www.pbs.org/capitolfourth/history.html

Special Election in Fleming County, Kentucky

A Special Election will be held in precinct, D102-PVA, in **Fleming County**, **Kentucky** on **July 30**, **2013**. Only those citizens who have registered to vote and who reside in this county and this precinct shall be entitled to vote in this election.

In accordance with Section 148 of the Kentucky Constitution, KRS 118.035 and the voting leave regulations 101 KAR 2:102, Section 7 and 101 KAR 3:015, Section 7, all employees who are entitled to vote, who are otherwise scheduled to work during the hours that the polls are open, and who request leave in advance shall be granted four (4) hours of voting leave to cast their vote.

Employees voting absentee may be granted this leave if a request is made in advance of the day they appear before the clerk to apply



for the absentee ballot, except as noted below. KRS 118.035 states that any qualified voter who exercises their right to voting leave but fails to vote under circumstances that did not prevent them from voting may be subject to disciplinary action. An employee appointed to serve as an Election Officer may receive voting leave not to exceed a total of seven and one-half (7.5) hours (based on a 37.5 hour work week) or eight (8) hours (based on a 40 hour work week) for a designated election to attend training and for service as an Election Officer, provided that such leave is requested and approved in advance.

If you have any questions regarding the voting leave policy, please contact Dinah Bevington, Executive Director, Office of Legal Services in the Personnel Cabinet at (502) 564-7430.

Stop by the KHEAA Booth at the State Fair

You're invited to visit the KHEAA, College Info Road Show, at the Kentucky State Fair in Louisville August 15–25.

The, College Info Road Show, a mobile classroom sponsored by KHEAA, will be parked inside. KHEAA staff will be available to students and their parents to answer their questions regarding college information and financial aid. Staff will also be able to provide information on how to access information from KHEAA websites and other sources.



Take Advantage of Training Resources

Governmental Services Center (GSC)

State government offers training and development opportunities to state employees, managers and state agencies. View the entire training course catalog to see the different types of training offered. Check out the GSC course calendar to find the trainings scheduled. Once you find a training you are interested in attending, contact your agency training liaison and follow your agency's procedures. Check online at https://gsc.personnel.ky.gov/Pages/Training.aspx.

Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives (KDLA)

KDLA offers free online courses. Check out the monthly calendar at http://kdla.ky.gov/employees/Pages/TrainingEventsCalendar.aspx.

State employees can take advantage of many other resources through KDLA such as research databases, webinars, audiobooks and more.

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